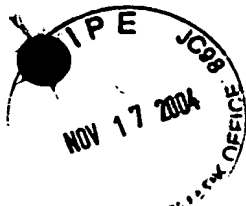


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Dear SPE Vincent Millin:

On May 27, 2004 the above-identified application was returned to the Examiner from the BPAI for the Examiner to respond to appellants' Reply Brief. We have yet to receive any Official Communication subsequent to the May 27, 2004 return. Accordingly, we are requesting a status of the above-identified application.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any questions regarding this communication or the previously submitted status request.

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